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2. Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement (2 pgs.);
3. Form PTO-1449 (1 pg.);
4. Copies of IDS Citations (B1, C1-C2);
5. Copy of Power of Attorney by Assignee of Entire Interest/Revocation of Prior Powers and New Power of Attorney (1 pg.); and
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**SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.97 and 1.98, Applicant hereby makes of record the patents and publications listed on the accompanying Form PTO-1449, and other information contained herein, for consideration by the Examiner in connection with the examination of the above-identified patent application. Specifically, Applicant provides a copy of the International Search Report for International Patent Application No. PCT/US2002/025922 (Reference C2). In accordance with the U.S. Patent Office's partial waiver of the requirement under 37 C.F.R. 1.98(a)(2)(i), only copies of the foreign patent documents and non-patent publications are enclosed.

In addition, Applicant wishes to inform the Examiner about the following patent applications and the contents of their file wrappers, including all Office actions issued therein.

- 1) U.S.S.N. 10/218,864, entitled "Materials and Methods for Nerve Grafting, Selection of Nerve Grafts, and In Vitro Nerve Tissue Culture," filed on August 13, 2002, and published as 2003/0040112, on February 27, 2003 (Reference A1).
- 2) U.S.S.N. 10/218,316, entitled "Materials and Methods for Nerve Repair," filed on August 13, 2002, and published as 2003/0072749, on April 17, 2003 (Reference A2).
- 3) U.S.S.N. 10/218,315, entitled "Materials and Methods for Nerve Grafting," filed on August 13, 2002, and published as 2003/0077258, on April 24, 2003 (Reference A3).

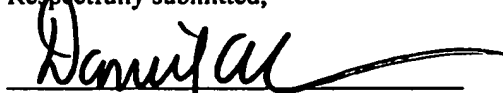
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In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.97, this statement is being filed (CHECK ONE):

- ☒ (1) within three (3) months of the **filing date** of a national application other than a continued prosecution application under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(d), or within three (3) months of the **date of entry of the national stage** as set forth in 37 C.F.R. 1.491 in an international application, or before the mailing of the **first Office action** on the merits, or before the mailing of a **first Office action** after the filing of a request for continued examination under 37 C.F.R. 1.114; or
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- ☐ the requisite Statement is below, **AND**
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It is respectfully requested that each of the patents and publications listed on the attached Form PTO-1449, and other information contained herein, be made of record in this application.

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	B1	WO2003/015612 A3	02/27/03	PCT			08/13/02	N	Y
<b>OTHER ART, JOURNAL ARTICLES, ETC.</b>									
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	C1	Schmalfeldt et al., "Brain Derived Versican V2 is a Potent Inhibitor of Axonal Growth," <i>Journal of Cell Science</i> 113: 807-816 (2000).							
	C2	International Search Report for Patent Application Serial No. PCT/US02/25922, mailed on June 17, 2003.							
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